

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

SECOND SUNDAY OF

Lent

From the cloud
came a voice:
"This is my beloved Son.
Listen to him."

Mark 9:7

FEBRUARY
25 2018

PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are celebrated after the Noon mass on Sundays. A pre-baptism class is required for the first child. For class information call the rectory. Arrangements should be made shortly before or after the birth of the child.

COMMUNION CALLS: are made on Sundays by Eucharistic Ministers to the homebound. Please call the Rectory to schedule.

MATRIMONY: Couples need to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date. No date may be reserved until discussed with a priest of the parish.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Call the Rectory to register.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION: Interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church? Call the Rectory for more information.

CONFESSIONS

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 3:30 - 4:00 PM or by appointment.

CONTACT US

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MASSES

Sunday Vigil.....Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday:.....8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Holy Day Vigil:.....Watch Bulletin

Holy Day:.....Watch Bulletin

Civic Holidays:.....Watch Bulletin

Wednesday & Friday:.....8:30 AM

STAFF

Reverend Edward J. Smith, Pastor

Fr. Thomas Sanders, OSB, Weekend Associate

Debbie Wehler, Sue DiVaccaro, Secretaries

Lou Varos, Finance Council Chairperson

ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH is handicap accessible.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT,
FEBRUARY 25, 2018**

If God is for us, who can be against us? -- Romans 8:31b

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$4,000.00
February 18	\$3,346.00
Children's	\$6.00
Ash Wednesday	\$366.00

Please keep St. Teresa Parish in mind when making out your will.

**COLLECTION FOR CENTRAL
AND EASTERN EUROPE**

This week, our parish will take up this Collection which supports those living in countries formerly under communist rule. *Thanks for your generosity.*

**KEEP THESE PARISHIONERS
IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Luz Villanueva, Eleanor Rieth
Pat Chozinski, Marty Lima, Peg King
Gladys Mackert, Maebelle Fill
Gladys Wisniewski, Kathleen Brezinski
Patricia Welsh, Bernie Mack
Greg Brezinski, Shirley Karasevic
Shirley Schloss, Charlotte Joherle

ANointing OF THE SICK

For those advanced in age, sick, or undergoing surgery. Administered upon request. Contact the Rectory.

PSR (Parish School of Religion)

Classes take place on Tuesdays from 6 - 7:15 p.m. for grades 1-8. Call with questions to 934-4227.

If the Shef./Shef. Lake schools are closed due to bad weather on a Tuesday, PSR will be cancelled.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Classes take place on Sundays at 8:30 a.m. with Mass/Class at St. Teresa Parish. Confirmation takes place Sunday, March 11 at St.

Thomas Church. Please pray for all the Confirmandi during this time of preparation.

MONTHLY SPIRITUAL MAXIM

"God has given me great courage; and the greater these trials were the greater was the courage."

St. Teresa of Avila

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**Saturday, February 24**

4:30 p.m. +Farrell Kleem by John & Mary Ellen Smith

Sunday, February 25**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

8:30 a.m. +Fred Ackerman by Mike & Barb Griffith & family

11:00 a.m. +Kenneth O'Neill by daughter

Monday, February 26

NO MASS

Tuesday, February 27

NO MASS

Wednesday, February 28

8:30 a.m. +Tom Copeland by Fred & Chris Courtright

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 1

NO MASS

Friday, March 2

8:30 a.m. All Souls

Saturday, March 3**St. Katharine Drexel**

4:30 p.m. +Joe & Kay Brown and +Marty Broska by Ray & Cathy

Sunday, March 4**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

8:30 a.m. +Stanley Pliszka by Linda & Denny Rourke

11:00 a.m. +Russell Roland Fonseca, Jr. by Dan & Theresa Gillotti

**LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN, PRAY AND LIVE!**

Stations of the Cross will take place on Wednesdays during Lent at 7 p.m. (except Holy Week).

Word Among Us booklets are available to each Parishioner in the rear of the church.

Bringing America Back to Life 9th Annual Pro-Life Convention to be held **March 9 & 10, 2018** at the Embassy Suites, Independence, Ohio. Spend one day or both and hear national and local speakers witness to the sanctity of life, including Bishop Daniel Thomas of Toledo and Bishop Roger Gries. See the bulletin insert for details.

Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Every Saturday at 3:30 (except Holy Saturday)

EVENING OF CONFESSION

You are personally invited to the **Evening of Confession from 6 - 7 pm on Wednesday, February 28, 2018** at St. Teresa of Avila Church. *"Don't be afraid to go to the Sacrament of Confession, where you will meet Jesus who forgives you."* -- Pope Francis



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ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Our next Altar & Rosary Society Mass will be **Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.** The Rosary will be said at 8:00 a.m. prior to Mass.

TRADITIONAL SEDER MEAL - ALL ARE INVITED!

This ritual meal recounts the liberation of the Hebrew people from Egyptian bondage and how it relates to the farewell meal Jesus shared with his closest friends, a Passover Seder Meal. Through this meal, we will be taught the importance of Jesus' words and deeds that evening, which are the foundation of the Catholic Mass. Join us in **St. Teresa of Avila's Parish Life Center on Wednesday, March 28 from 7 - 9 p.m.** Our Hosts will be Fr. Ed Smith and Dr. Phil Gigliotti. No Charge for the evening; a Free Will Offering will be taken. *RSVP a must by March 20, 2018 to 440-934-4227.* Seating is limited.

FISH FRY CONTINUES THROUGHOUT LENT - WE APPRECIATE YOUR DONATIONS!

As in the past, we count on the generosity of St. Teresa's Parishioners for donations of pop (Pepsi or Coke and Sprite or 7-Up, regular and diet) and baked goods for our Fish Fry. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Life Center on Thursdays and Fridays between 9 a.m. & 3 p.m. *If you would like to volunteer, call the church office at 934-4227.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Silvanus was an abbot who lived in the Egyptian desert in the fifth century. He had twelve young monks as disciples, but of these his favorite was the monk Marcus, who also happened to be an expert copyist of manuscripts. The eleven other monks felt that Silvanus should show no monk special favor, and their complaints about his partiality became known to several senior hermits who lived nearby. The seniors agreed that one should not play favorites, so they came to ask Silvanus why he rated Marcus higher than the rest.

Silvanus came out of his cell and told the visitors to follow him. He began knocking at the doors of his disciples, saying to each, "Brother, come, I have need of you." The eleven monks refused his order, one after the other. Then the Abbot knocked at the door of Marcus' cell. "Marcus!" he called out. As soon as Marcus heard the master's voice, he came to the door. Silvanus sent him on some errand and he went off at once to perform it.

"Did the others obey?" Silvanus asked his callers. "Now come inside." They all entered Marcus' cell and surrounded his writing desk. "Look at that manuscript that Marcus was writing." They looked at it carefully and noticed the last letter. Marcus had been writing an "O" when the Abbot called him, but he had finished only one curve. So obedient was he that he had left the letter unfinished when he heard the voice of Silvanus.

"I love Marcus more than the others," said the Abbot, "because he is more obedient than the others." The old monks agreed. "Truly, we also love Marcus whom you love, for God loves him."

God loved Abraham, too, because of his utter obedience. How obedient are we to God, and those he has called to lead us?

...I will bless you abundantly ... because you obeyed my command. (Genesis 22:18)

The Reverend Edward J. Smith

CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING

AM 1260 The Rock During this year's Lenten season, tune into AM 1260 The Rock! Visit www.am1260therock.com to listen live or tune in at AM 1260 The Rock on your car radio!

EWTN Programming Get the latest EWTN Program information on EWTN Wings. Sign up for Wings, EWTN's weekly email newsletter. Go to ewtn.com and click on the WINGS link.

RESPECT LIFE

"Dear brothers and sisters, let us look to God as the God of Life, let us look to his law, to the Gospel message, as the way to freedom and life.... Let us say "Yes" to life and not death. Let us say "Yes" to freedom and not enslavement to the many idols of our time. In a word, let us say "Yes" to the God who is love, life and freedom, and who never disappoints. ... Let us ask Mary, Mother of Life, to help us receive and bear constant witness to the "Gospel of Life." Pope Francis - Homily for "Evangelium Vitae" Day, June 16, 2013.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From February 14 – March 25, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Please help spread the word about this important community outreach. Contact John Noall at clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com or 216-245-9744 for more information. Visit: www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland.

ST. TERESA'S BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Our next meeting will be **Thursday, March 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.** Join us in the St. John Room in the Parish Life Center. *"Indeed, the word of God is living and effective..."* Hebrews 4:12

MOTHER CABRINI FOOD PANTRY, LORAIN

Our next collection of non perishable food will be **March 3 & 4**. Place your non-perishable donations in the tub in the vestibule of the church. Help is always needed on the *2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturdays* of each month from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Many thanks to all those who support this ministry financially and with their time!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Confirmation Class	Sun, Feb 25	8:30 a.m.	Church/PLC
PSR	Tues, Feb 27	6:00 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Feb 28	9:00 a.m. - Noon	Church
Bible Study	Thurs, March 1	7:00 p.m.	St. John Room
Fish Fry	Fri, March 2	4:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall
Confirmation Retreat	Sat, March 3	10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Avila Hall/Church

LET US GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD OUR GOD FOR THOSE AMONG US:

Thank You to Fr. Smith and Dr. Phil Gigliotti for bringing the Shroud of Turin Presentation to St. Teresa Church. It was a wonderful, thought provoking event!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Charles Godles, Christopher Barnhart, Jason Bender, Thomas Daley, Capt. Richard Robinson, Tom Fisher, Anthony Burns, Michael Naughton, Allen Fish, 2nd Lt. Louis Rios, Justin Callison, Quinn Rambo, Capt. Shelby Stratton, Grant Bartlett, Sgt. Tyler Corwin, John McGlynn, Cpl. Andrew Edwards, Jacob Teyton, 1st Sgt. Derek Lisowski
To add names call 934-4227.

PARISH CLUSTER CORNER

St. Thomas the Apostle

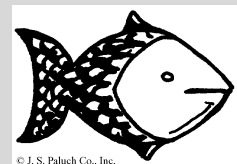
www.saintthomaschurch.net

St. Anthony

www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/
St. Anthony's perpetual Adoration Chapel is behind the church.

HOSPITAL CALLS

Please request the services of the Catholic Chaplain at the hospital for a patient. Notify the parish office so that the sick will be remembered in our prayers and Masses.



TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS

Sunday Mass is aired on Channel 8 on Sundays at 6:00 a.m.

HOLY SPIRIT, BRING TO US A DESIRE FOR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"From the Eucharist comes strength to live the Christian life and zeal to share that life with others."

St. John Paul II

HOPE AND HEALING BEYOND HEROIN

Catholic Charities and the Diocesan Social Action Office (DSA) are partnering with *Greater Than Heroin*, to elevate awareness and offer resources in response to the opioid crisis. Brochures are available in the vestibule of the church.

Around the Town

SOLACE OF LORAIN COUNTY - ADVOCACY FOR FAMILIES COPING WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE

The next meeting will be **March 8, 2018 from 6 - 8 p.m.** at LCCC CARE Center (BU 113D), 1005 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria. For information call Kathy at 440-823-6177. Visit: www.lorainadas.org.

A MARATHON OF ROSARIES TO SAVE THE UNBORN

Join us the first Saturday of every month from 10:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua's Adoration Chapel. **Next Rosary Marathon will be Saturday, March 3, 2018.** The Rosary will be prayed every half-hour on the hour. All are welcome! Call with questions to Dr. Hilaire Tavenner at 288-0416.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA NEWS

St. Anthony School Endowment Fundraiser will take place **Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at Chez Francois**, 555 Main St., Vermilion, OH 44089.

Your donation of \$75 gives you a 3 course French dinner and the chance to win raffle prizes. The event is open to only 100 guests so reservations must be made soon. To secure your reservation contact Diana Lesiecki at St. Anthony at 288-1752 ext 223 or email lesieckid@stanthonlylorain.com.

Pierogi Time! Pierogi will be sold on all Fridays during Lent from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Pre-order by calling Patty at 934-4482. Baked goods available as well.

Pierogi: frozen \$7/dz and cooked \$8/dz. Cabbage & Noodles, Mac & Cheese, and Pierogi dinners also available.

Lenten Soup Supper St. Anthony's Marian Guild invites all parishioners to a "Soup Supper" on **March 19, 2018 at 6 p.m.** The evening will begin with a Prayer Service in the church lead by Deacon Paul Heiser, followed by the Soup Supper in the social hall. Deacon Paul will deliver a message after dinner. Please RSVP to Denise at 714-4761.

FIRST FRIDAY OPPORTUNITIES IN OUR AREA - MARCH 2, 2018

Gentle Woman Fellowship Held at St. Clarence Parish Center, North Olmsted. Begins at 9:30 a.m. and includes Rosary, Mass, refreshment & speaker: Fr. Robert Cole. Call 330-636-1698.

First Friday Forum of Lorain County Spitzer Conference Center at LCCC at 11:30 a.m. Speaker will be Ms. Maureen Dee, Treatment Services of Catholic Charities. RSVP by February 29 to 244-0643. \$18 per person. Includes lunch.

Thank Goodness It's First Friday Men's group meets at St. Clarence Church, N. Olmsted. \$10 per person. Speaker will be Rev. Fr. Charles Ryba. Make reservation by Feb., 27 to George at 937-6606. Includes lunch.

NIGHT AT THE RACES - ST. FRANCES PARISH, LORAIN

You are invited to enjoy the evening on **Saturday, March 3, 2018** in the parish hall, Rt. 57 & Homewood Drive. Doors open at 6 p.m., post time is 7:15 p.m. \$20 per person for 10 races, buffet, beer, beverages and door prizes. Call for tickets to 277-7266.

ADDICTION AWARENESS WORKSHOP

The Samaritan Ministry of St. Malachi Parish is offering a FREE one-day Addiction Awareness Workshop in St. Malachi Center (behind the school), West 25th & Detroit, on **Saturday, March 3, 2018** from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Snacks and beverages provided. Donations welcome. For a brochure/to register visit us at www.stmalachi.org/samaritan-ministry-2018 or contact Judy Stowe at 440-250-9959 or judydystowe@gmail.com or St. Malachi Rectory at 216-861-5343.

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax preparation help to anyone and if you're 50 and older, and can't afford a tax preparation service, we were made especially for you. There are many sites open in Lorain County **by appointment only**. To find a location near you call 1-888-227-7669.

ELYRIA CATHOLIC - LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

March 1, St. Peter School, North Ridgeville at 7 p.m. For more times and locations visit elyriacatholic.com or call 440-365-1821.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, February 24
4:30 p.m.

Ann Glime
Tom Pienoski
Joan Gigliotti
EM Needed

Sun, February 25
8:30 a.m.

Christi Smail
Kathy Cunningham
Rick Basista
Barb Eifel **

Sun, February 25
11:00 a.m.

Dan Gillotti
Theresa Gillotti
Elmer Klingshirn
Debbie Brady

Sat, March 3
4:30 p.m.

Mike Palmer
Frances Geiger
John Katricak
Tom Pienoski **

Sun, March 4
8:30 a.m.

Greg Smail
Sue DiVaccaro **
Marty Yonkof
Carol Yonkof

Sun, March 4
11:00 a.m.

Marci Matsamas
Susan Novak
Don Kirchner
Carol Kirchner

Lectors

Sat, February 24
4:30 p.m.

Phil Gigliotti

Sun, February 25
8:30 a.m.

Larry Durica

Sun, February 25
11:00 a.m.

Tom Parkey

Sat, March 3
4:30 p.m.

Andrew Augustine

Sun, March 4
8:30 a.m.

Bruce DiVaccaro

Sun, March 4
11:00 a.m.

Dan Gillotti



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Altar Servers

Sat, February 24
4:30 p.m.

Ray Fitzwater

Sun, February 25
8:30 a.m.

Mikey Griffith
Dave Griffith

Sun, February 25
11:00 a.m.

Beth Parkey

Sat, March 3
4:30 p.m.

Dan Huczko

Sun, March 4
8:30 a.m.

Adam Smail

Sun, March 4
11:00 a.m.

Server Needed